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# TRVE RELATION OF THE QVEENS MAJESTIES Return out of HOLLAND,

AND,

Of Gods merciful preservation of Her from those great dangers, wherein Her Royall Person was engaged *both by Sea and Land.*

ALSO,

Her MAJESTIES Letter sent to the STATES about the stay of Her Ammunition-Ship.

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Written by One in the same Storm, and Ship, with Her *Majestie.*

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# A TRVE RELATION OF THE QVEENS MAJESTIES Return out of HOLLAND, &c.

*Her Majesties first setting out of Holland with a Navy of fourteen Ships, Feb. 19. 1642.*

THe States Generall of the United Provinces, (notwithstanding many Arts and means used to perswade the contrary) having prepared for Her Majesties Service nine Men of Warr, with five lesser Ships for the Baggage: Her Majesty on Thursday, *January* the 19, 1642, in the Afternoone, at *Scrivelug*, two Miles from the *Hague*, imbarked in a more threatning, then promi-

sing Weather. The Wind then was so slack, that it made little further way that Night, then to carry the Ships out of those perillous Shoares; where, had a Storme risen, they had been in very great danger. The next day, when God had blessed us with Sea-roome enough, the Wind began to rise very high, and about midnight, blew a fearfull and furious Storme; which, with the intermissions of some howres, (one day onely) Tuesday, excepted, for six dayes together continued very vehement and terrible. And by reason of the often Variation of the winds, made a most raging Sea, and so very tempestuous, that the Ship was many times let to drive, and hull it at Sea, not being able to make any Saile with safety, having been in great danger to be underset, by the suddaine gusts and blasts, which duck't and drowned the sailes in the Seas. In this sad and unsafe condition, did we live out all those dayes, being tossed and driven to and fro on the *Doggar Sands*, threatning to be our graves; in which we had surely been buried, if the care of Heaven had not more mercifully come in to our help.

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Her Majesty saw and suffer'd all this so long with a Princely Patience and Courage, and then perceiving how little She did advance in Her way to *Newcastle*, took a Resolution (there being no English Port else neer where She might safely adventure Her Person) rather to return for *Holland*, then to tug on and work out Her Way with contrary Winds and Weathers, in such enraged Seas. It was presented and pressed to Her Majesty, That if any storme should arise and meet Her in that Shoare, the danger would be greater then in the open Seas where She was; Her Ship being tydie and good, The Admirall most skilfull and carefull of his Royall Charge, and the Masters and Mariners answerably able, and willing, to doe their best service.

* *Sir Martin Van Tromp.*

But Her Majesty kept still her resolution to returne. Whereupon, the Thursday Sennight after Shee imbarked, we made our Course for *Holland* again, and the next Day came on the Coast before *Sciveling*; God blessing Her with the freedom from a Tempest in that place of perill, where foure Ships had been wrack't, of which we saw

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the bulk and ribs of an English one, which had perished in the late Tempests on the shoare, before our eyes.

The Admirall upon his comming in, shot off a Peece of Ordinance to give notice of his return; which they of the Town took presently and carried to the *Hague*; so that some howers before Her Majesty could get to shoare, the Queen of *Bohemia*, the Princesse Royall and other of the Princesses; the Princ Elector, the Prince and Princesse of *Orange* with divers Persons of Quality and Honour were all ready in their Coaches at shoare, to attend Her landing; and did drive and ride into the Sea for joy and haste to see tha happy sight of Her Majesties safety, fo whose great perills, heavy feares had lay upon them, all the time of these Tempests.

That Evening, a Fisherboat being found out at Sea, (for contrary Tyde and Wind would suffer none to come from Land) th Admirall commanded and called it in, an in it, Her Majestie with some Persons o chief quality, not without some dangerou weltrings of the Boat, by reason of the hig Waves and Sands in that shallow shoare

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came, at last, safe to Land; And having rested and refreshed Her Self some time at the Town, went after to the *Hague* to Her Bed that Night.

On Saturday (the next Day after) the rest who came in the three Ships with Her Majesty (for but three came) landed all in safety. What was become of the other eleven, was not then known; but after it was. That two missing or mistaking the Admirals warning, went on to *Newcastle*, the propounded Port; The others, with some leaks, and wounds, and losses of Masts, and sailes, and tacklings, came in after us, or got safe to other Shoares. But the two Ships wherein the Horses were, one of them was runne on ground, all the Men and some Horses being saved, onely, that, wherein the Coachmen were, is not yet heard of, and therefore feared, to be utterly lost.

All they in *Holland*, who were in great anxietie and fear for the Queen at Sea, (not having ever known a greater storm by Land) were very jocund and joyfull, to hear and see, Her safety.

Some said, Her Majesty would never have adven-

adventured Her Self to Sea in such a Weather, but to shew, That a Queen feared not to be drowned. Others thought, that some Witches were made use of, to raise those Winds. But all saw, That if any such villany came from Hell, it was curb'd by Heaven, in the merciful preservation of the Queen; and that, When God will help, the Divell cannot hurt us.

Her Majesty was entertained at the *Hague* by the Prince of *Orange* all the time of her last stay, which was from Fryday, *January* 27. to *February* the 13.

And their 7. greater Ships being got ready for Her Majesty, and five lesser for the Bagage, with one of Her own, bought before, and now laden with Ammunition (thirteen in all:) On Munday afternoon, She went to *Seidseling*, and in that poore Fisher-Towne lodged three Nights, upon an unexpected occasion. For Her Ammunition-ship in the River of the *Maze*, was watched by two Parliament ships, (as they call them) the *Providance* and *Greyhound*; ) who gave out that they would take that Ship, or fire it, or sink it, or sink with it. Her Majesty knowing

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how much the Kings Service, and his good Subjects and Souldiers in the North were concerned in it, resolved not to goe without it, but to stay there till Shee had it.

The Admirall hereupon having this Warrant from the States Generall, and the Prince of *Orange*, went with two Men of Warre to fetch it off, and was bringing it away; But was met, and bourded, and charged by the States of *Holland* (the Provincials as they call them) to have that Ship searched for Arms, and not to carry it further, but the Arms to be taken out, or kept safe in some other place fitting for it. The Admiral upon this Arrest, stopt, and cast Anchor; and came to acquaint the *States* General, and the Prince, with what was done, and to doe further, as it should be directed.

Now began all Eyes to see that good Providence, which guided the Queen to return to *Holland*; that Ship of Arms having been absolutely lost by Her absence; which was so hardly redeemed and preserved by Her Royall Presence, and Courage.

And by that it was. For the Queen, toucht with the sense of so visible an Indig-

nity, by the hands of Sir *William Boſwell*, reſident in *Holland* for His Majeſtie, ſent to the States Generall a round and quick Letter, of the deep reſentment, which She juſtly had of that great affront then done Her; and that the bands of Amity betwixt the King and them, muſt needs be diſſolved, if that were done and endured.

*See Her Majeſties Letter Printed after the Relation.*

This begat a Meeting of all the States, the Prince of *Orange* being with them, whoſe ſpirit, this affront had moved much.

In it, the matter was argued with the States of *Holland*, who made the ſtay. The Arreſt by many condemned, and concluded by all, that the ſhip of Arms ſhould come away with the reſt to the Queen; and the Admiralls Commiſſion enlarged, to fight with any, that ſhould attempt to hinder it, or any with the Queen beſides it. The States of *Holland* now ſaying, they tooke the ſhip of Arms till then for a private mans, and not the Kings, for which cauſe (or colour) they before had ſtayed it.

The Admirall (thus arm'd) went to fetch it away; and after ſome expoſtulations by Letters with the two Parliament ſhips, and the

the Messenger, their Ministers vaine perswasions to the contrary; bid them, to lye still, till the ship was gone, or to keep off out of Cannon-shot, or he would shoot at them. The ship being got out to Sea, the *Providence* made three shots at it, none hitting it: upon this, the Admirall shot at them, who in stead of answering him, shot off a Peece on the other side from him, and so went their way. So on *February* sixteenth, being *Thursday*, that ship with the rest came to *Sciveling* to the Queen.

THat Day, Her Majesty imbarked again in the Princesse Royall of great *Brittaine* (Her first ship.) And with a most blessed Weather, on a quiet Sea, by a soft and gentle Gale, was brought on Sunday after, within sight of *Flamborough-head*. The Heavens and Winds for so long a time (and many Dayes before) continuing in those Winter Dayes and Northern Seas, almost miraculously Faire, and Intempestuous.

*The Queens second comming out of* Holland *with a Navy of* 13 *Ships* Feb. 16. 1642

On Munday we got on as farr as *Scarborough*; But then the Wind blew from

*Newcaſtle*, our onely intended Haven, juſt in our Teeth; and as God in great Mercy would have it, ſaid to us (in the Language of His Providence) *Goe no further*. So we fell back into a ſafe Harbour (*Burlington-Bay*) and caſt Anchor hard by the Shoare. As Her Majeſty rid at Anchor there, ſome of the Gentry and Country People ſent, and came, to preſent to the Queen ſome of their Country Proviſions, with their Joyes for Her Safety and happy Returne. Her Majeſty graciouſly accepted them, doing them the Honour to let them kiſſe Her Hand.

Here God put into Her Heart another bleſſed Reſolution. It was to ſend to my Lord of *Newcaſtle*, to give him word of Her being there, and Her will (if he ſo direct) there to land. His Excellency having but the Weeke before, beaten the Forces out of *Stamford* Bridge, and made his way into the Eaſt-Riding of *Yorkeſhire*, was then very happily at *Pocklington* with his Army; about twenty miles from *Burlington*. On Tueſday came a Meſſenger with Tydings, That the Generall of the Horſe, next Day about Noon, would waite on Her Majeſty at ſhoare with

with a thousand Horse: And my Lord Gederall the next Day after, with the rest of the Horse and Foote Army. This was done accordingly. For on Wednesday after Noone, the Horse appeared on the shoare; whereupon, Her Majesty landed that Night at *Burlington-Key*. All the Ordinance of the Ships speaking as much to those who were not near enough to see it. Next Day (as the Queen was at Dinner) came His Excellency, and Generall King, with the Army of Foot, and fiveteen hundred more Horse.

His Excellency tould the Queen, Her landing so, was in a most happy place and time, for the Country and Army, and Her selfe and Her Retinue. So apparently it was. For besides the great moiling of Men and Beasts, this would save the Country a very vast expence of Moneys for Carriages in those long and ill wayes from *Newcastle* to *Yorke*, this being but thirty miles and good way from it. And the Army (already much wearied, in chases of the Enemy, from which they came but the Day before) would have been overtoyled and

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weakened in ſo long Convoyes and Marches to and fro, for the Queens neceſſary conduct and Attendance; of which great trouble, Her Majeſty now gave them a preſent eaſe. And both Country and Army magnified the mercyfull Providence of God to both, who diſpoſed ſo of his Winds, and the Queens thoughts; to bring them ſuch an unexpected eaſe and happineſſe, to the great joy and encouragement of them all. And Her Majeſty & Retinue had their ſhare in the happineſſe, too. For by this meanes, the Queen came much ſooner to *York* now, then ſhe could, had ſhe landed at Her firſt comming at *Newcaſtle*: And much ſafer too, then if ſhe had now arrived there; conſidering the Dangers both of the Haven, and ſhips, which lay in waite for Her there, fitted with Men of deſperate minds, to doe all poſſible Miſchief; and the many Accidents and Perills, which might have befallen Her in comming thence.

Beſides all this, great advantage would have been neceſſarily given, and as greedily taked from the Diverſion and Diviſion of the Army, to make the Enemy more bould

bould and buſie to work his ends, by the abſence, now fruſtrated by the keeping of it in one body and place.

The Army being now by *Burlington*, the Queen after Dinner rid out in a Coach to ſee it; which received great encouragement from Her comming, and welcommed Her into the field, with many hearty Acclamations and expreſſions of their Joyes, ſuch, as much moved many to ſee them; and in them the true old Genius and Spirit of the Engliſh Nation to their Princes, of late degenerated into the ſtrange Tongue of rude Invectives and Outcryes. After ſight of the Army, which Her Majeſty rid through & through, even to the new raiſed and unarmed Companies; Shee returned to Her Lodging at *Burlington Key*.

But had another manner of Salutation ſent Her from the Sea next Morning, in a ſtrange (and till that time) utterly unknown and unparallelly-barbarous Language. For foure Ships and a Pinnace, Voluntaries in the Parliaments Service; which came over Night into the Roade, betwixt five and ſix of the Clock next Morning, made

made above an hundred ſhots at the Houſes in the *Key*, for two Howers ſhooting croſſe-bar-ſhots, and many Bullets of twelve pound weight, and thereabouts, all the while. One of thoſe Ships was directly planted againſt the Houſe where the Queen lay; and that, and the other made many ſhots over it, and on every ſide about it. Her Majeſty hereupon was ſuddainly called up out of Her Bed to avoid the Danger, and leaving the Houſe, went and ſat down under the Brow of an Hill, which ſecured Her from the ſhot.

*The names of the Captaines and Maſters of the Ships were.*
*C.* Hadock, *Commander of the Fleet.*
*C.* Lee.
*C.* North.
*C.* Bedwart.
*C.* Peacock *Maſter of the Pinnace.*

The Lords and Ladyes (who were all thereabouts lodged) made haſt to goe with, and after the Queen; ſome of their Houſes having been ſhot through before; and the Bullets, then flying about them in the Streets and Fields as they went. And as they ſate under the Hill, ſome flew over their heads, caſting ſome rubbage and duſt, though no Danger then upon them: ſo that of all the Queenes Company (God be thanked) not one was kil'd, or hurt, or touched; though one of the common Souldiers was ſore torn, and a Serjeant ſlaine

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out right, not farr from the Queenes Lodging.

These Ships, (upon Advertisement brought them of the Queenes comming) were seen to hye away presently from *Newcastle*, where till then, they lay to doe such Service as they were directed to. And where, they are said, to have bragged, they would board, sinke, or sinke with the Queenes Ship, could they meet it. Gods Goodnesse gave them not the power of tryall by Sea, though the Divells malice in them, made them attempt to doe that Mischief by Land. And to doe it the better, in the Night they landed some of their Men on shoare, who were heard to enquire for the Queenes Lodging at three of the Clock, which they shot at by six, a shroud salvation (with the rest) what was the Mark they aimed at.

Whether by Commission, and by whose, these bould Men did this barbarous Outrage, the Justice of Heaven and Earth will doubtlesse concurr to examine and punish, that so great a Blot, and Burden of Shame and Guilt, may not lye on the Nation.

Upon this deliverance from the ſhot, Her Majeſty went that Day further out of their reach; from *Burlington Key*, to the Town. And the Ammunition ſhip (all this while in the *Key*, hit, though little hurt with all their ſhots) was unladed, and the Arms carried to the Town, and there carefully kept, in the old Church of the Monaſtery, now decayed. The Pariſh for that Sunday, being deſired for fear of danger, to go to their Neighbour Churches at hand, or to come ſo many as could, to the Queenes Court; where by Her Majeſties leave (there being elſe where no convenient Rooms to be had,) Her Houſhold had Service and Sermon for that Day.

At this, the Country People wondered much, who believed all with the Queen to be Papiſts; though of all the Engliſh in Her Majeſties Houſhold, not one Woman, and but four men be all. So willing are ſome to deceive, and others to be deceived.

On Sunday after (neceſſity pleading the Paſſe) Her Majeſty in the after-noone, Marched with the Army and Ammunition from *Burlington* to *Norburton* (about foure Miles off.)

off.) Thence next Day to *Malton*. And (there the Foot being left) was next Day conducted by the Horſe to *York*: No Enemy all this while oppoſing, or appearing. That Ancient City, received Her Majeſty with many hearty welcoms, and ſhouts, and bleſſings accompanying Her all the way Shee went. Sir *Edmund Cooper*, Lord Major, (that true and tryed Lieutenant to his Liege) and Sir *Thomas Widdrington*, Recorder of the City, with Speeches to that purpoſe.

So She was brought with much Joy and Honour on Tueſday, *March* the ſeventh, to Her Lodging in Sir *Arthur Ingrams* Houſe, where a Court of Guard attends Her Majeſties ſafety, which the Guard and Bliſſe of Heaven make good to Her, as it hath hitherto been moſt mercifully and viſibly with Her and for Her, in Her Departure, Abſence, and Return; which hath been happy, healthy, and ſafe, almoſt to a Miracle.

The Circumſtances of Her going out, were ſtrange beyond all belief, both at home and abroad: but the iſſues have appeared good and happy above all expectation. And

Her staying as wonderfull. That Her Majesty and Her Retinue being about, or above two hundred Persons (for Eleven Moneths time) in a strange Land, and unwonted Diet and Dwelling; should but bury one Consumptive Man in *Holland*, who brought his Death with him out of *England*; but keep in, and come out with so good a health, was an unlook't for, but not un-enjoyed Blessing. And Her safety in Her coming out, as singular.

At Her Majesties first comming out to Sea, the Storms were most fierce and terrible for many Dayes, But at the second, the Winds and Weather most faire and comfortable all the time. God Allmighty most mercifully preserved and blessed Her Majesty in both. And at last gave Her an Arrivall most happy, both to Her Self, and to many. Since that He delivered Her from the villainous attempts of the ships at Sea, which put Her precious Life to a manifest Perill and Hazard. A Signe from Heaven of Blessings to come upon the King and Queen, to which the Majesty of Heaven long preserve them, and the Kingdom by them.

Her

# Her MAJESTIES LETTER
Sent to the
# STATES,
Concerning the ſtay of HER AMMUNITION-SHIP.

THE QVEENE OF GREAT BRITTAIN, *out of a deſire by all means to conſerve the friendſhip betwixt the King, and the Lords the States; Having omitted to take notice of very many indignities by which Shee hath been provoked here; doth finde Her Selfe at this preſent offended*

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*in ſo high a degree, That Shee cannot any longer, with the Honour of the King (Her moſt Deare Husband) with-hold this Complaint, which Shee now makes unto the Lords the* STATES, *concerning an Order made to ſearch and make ſtay of a Veſſell, which is Fraughted and Charged with Goods belonging to Her; for which notwithſtanding, the* STATES *have already accorded their Free Paſſe-Port. The* QVEENE *makes no difficulty to avow the tranſport of Ammunition, as being abſolutely neceſſary for Her ſafety; and Shee hath choſen to furniſh Her Selfe by this way, rather then that of demanding a Licence; by reaſon of an Order formerly made by the* STATES, *to forbid the tranſport of Arms, or Ammunition, either for the* KING, *or* Parliament; *Which Order, the* KING *hath great cauſe to believe, very partiall for the* Parliament, *by putting them in equall ranke with Him; But the default of Obſervation of that Order, hath been yet more diſpleaſing to Her; For that ſince that time, great quantities of Ammunition have been tranſported for the Service of the Rebells, and Ships alſo bought*

*to*

*to be employed against the* KING. *If the* QUEENE *hath not asked a particular Licence for all the things necessary for Her Service, it hath been out of this consideration, that Shee might not cast the* STATES *upon the inconvenience, either of contradicting their own Order, or of giving just offence to the* KING. *But since all the care Her Majesty hath taken, and the precautions used to conserve a good intelligence between the* KING *and the* STATES *(which is established by so many past Treaties) hath produced nothing but a continuation of Affronts, and prejudices to the* KINGS *Service. Her Majesty is obliged to make this Declaration; That* Shee receives this Order, given for the stay of that Ship, for a notable and high injustice, and an indignity which Shee is obliged very neerly to resent. *Wherefore Her Majesty doth expect, That the Lords the* STATES, *having better considered the matter, will give way to the departing of that Ship, together with whatsoever is charged upon it, for Her Service; without which, Her Majesty cannot resolve to depart Her Selfe. The* QVEENE *is obliged to represent to the*

*Lords*

*Lord the* STATES, *that this injustice, and Affront, which Shee hath received by the arrest of this Ship, cannot passe for lesse then a violation of the Friendship betwixt the* KING *and the* STATES; *the consequences whereof will be very dangerous. Wherefore Shee doth hope, That they will not offer so just a cause of offence unto the* KING, *nor so great a displeasure unto Her Selfe.*

FINIS.